

[Draft] Method Prototype for Text Spacing

Original: [1.4.12 Text Spacing \(AA\)](#)

In content implemented using markup languages that support the following [text style properties](#), no loss of content or functionality occurs by setting all of the following and by changing no other style property:

- Line height (line spacing) to at least 1.5 times the font size;
- Spacing following paragraphs to at least 2 times the font size;
- Letter spacing (tracking) to at least 0.12 times the font size;
- Word spacing to at least 0.16 times the font size.

Exception: Human languages and scripts that do not make use of one or more of these text style properties in written text can conform using only the properties that exist for that combination of language and script.

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Short Description:

Text spacing can be overridden.

Long Description:

Allow enough space around text so it can spread out a little.

Expected Outcome: [task-based outcome]

People who use their own style sheet can read text.

Related Methods (2.1)

- [Text spacing for content which can wrap](#)
- [Text spacing for content which is not intended to wrap](#)

Method(s)

method1

Short Description:

Set metrics. Then evaluate results.

Long Description:

1. Set zoom level to 100%.
2. Set metrics with a tool such as the [Text Spacing Bookmarklet](#) to
 - Line height (line spacing) to at least 1.5 times the font size;
 - Spacing following paragraphs to at least 2 times the font size;
 - Letter spacing (tracking) to at least 0.12 times the font size;
 - Word spacing to at least 0.16 times the font size.
3. Make sure text is not cut off and does not overlap other content.

Examples:

Text stays in its containing box when spacing metrics are used.

Tests:

Associated Tags: [Static Web, Perceivable, Distinguishable, Operable]

Questions to ask yourself to assess your draft:

- Is the Style Guide understandable to follow? Yes
- Did the outcome match the instruction? I hope so.
- Did the particular success criterion that you chose to re-write present a challenge to this process? Not yet (as of first draft).

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